

ANS Correspondence

Brock, Elizabeth

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[Robert Alanzo Brock, subject]

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Mr Sidney I Mc
Librarian American
Numismatic Society-
New York

Dear Sir:

My father, the
late R. A. Brock,
was long a member
of your Society and
received your pub-

locations regularly -
some years ago I
returned me of
your cards & your
statement that my
father was dead
and the publications
stopped coming. a
few days ago how-
ever, another issue
came. I feel that
I am not entitled
to receive them and

so am writing to-
ask that you
erase his name.

He was an
enthusiastic collector
and amassed a
large collection of
books, manuscripts,
coins, stamps, etc.
Thus I am now
deprived of and
while I know some-
thing of the value

of birds. I am free
to admit that I
know absolutely
nothing of coins
and stamps - Can
you suggest some one
whom I might get -
who is perfectly reliable
and can dispose
of this collection
to the best possible

advantage? I
had a most-
disbussing experience
a few years ago
with a book buyer
and since that
time have been
afraid to trust
anyone until I
felt certain of him.

I trust you will
pardon the liberty-

I have taken in
writing you, but
I am anxious
now to dispose
of these items.

With many
thanks for any
suggestion you
may make, I am

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Brock
517 Dr. Marshall St -
Richmond Va

October 13th, 1920

Miss Elizabeth C. Brock
617 W. Marshall Street
Richmond, Va.

Dear Miss Brock:

Thank you for your letter of October 9th calling attention to the sending of a copy of our Journal to your father's address. It was a clerical error, as you have surmised.

I am very glad to respond to your request for aid in connection with your father's collection. As a rule, when such a request is made us, in order that we may not be unfair to the several dealers numbered among our members, we usually send a list of their names and assure our correspondent that we have every reason to believe that they will receive courteous treatment from any of them. Your circumstances, however, are different and I am going to suggest that you communicate with Mr. Wayne Raymond, 489 Park Avenue, New York, who is, I think, better equipped than almost anyone else to handle this particular collection.

It was very pleasant for us to write of your father's long connection with our Society and we are, of course, aware of his having been a collector for many years.

May I ask whether you are in a position to entertain a suggestion that you make a permanent memorial to his name by presenting either the entire collection of coins or, if your means will not permit it, a limited selection - 20 or 30 pieces, or a selection up to a limited sum such as \$100.00? Here, in our Museum such pieces would be placed in boxes recording that the gift had been taken from Mr. Brock's Collection; and, as our funds for purchase are very limited indeed, you would be making a permanent contribution to the Museum and its Collection. May I express the hope that one of these suggestions will find a favorable response?

Very respectfully yours,